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## Business Cards.

**GEO. COZAD,**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
WESTON, WEST VA.  
Will practice in Lewis and adjoining coun-  
ties. All business promptly attended to.  
Office with Hon. J. M. Bennett. jly10-ly

**JOHN BRANNON,**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
Is duly authorized to practice in the  
UNITED STATES COURTS.  
All persons desiring to be declared Bankrupt  
can have my services on reasonable terms. I  
have all the necessary forms. jly12-ly

**NORTHWESTERN HOTEL,**  
—S. WALKER, PROPRIETOR—  
Pike Street, Clarksburg. Bucks run  
to and from the Depot. Oct28-ly

**M. BURKE & CO.**  
—WHOLESALE DEALERS IN—  
Tobacco, Cigars, Fancy Groceries, Nuts,  
Fruit, Confectionaries, Crackers, &c. 61, Main  
Street, Wheeling, West Va. dec22-ly

**NEW GOODS.**  
Joseph Darlington, has just received a  
large lot of spring goods. Such as Dry Goods,  
Notions, Cloths, Casimeres, Ladies and Gents  
Finishing Goods, Ready Made Clothing, Hats,  
Caps, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Queens-  
ware and Tin Ware. Also the best of Groce-  
ries, which will be sold cheap for Cash or Pro-  
duce. Call and examine my stock, one door  
below Chalfant's Drug Store. jec22-ly

**CASH NOTION HOUSE.**  
—L. DEITZ & CO.—  
Importers and Wholesale Dealers in German,  
English and French Fancy Goods, Hosiery and  
Notions, between Howard and Liberty Streets,  
Baltimore.  
Selling for "CASH ONLY" we are enabled to  
put our goods at quite moderate profits; and  
this with a regular fixed price, from which no  
deviation is made, justifies those not familiar  
with their value to buy from us with entire con-  
fidence. mar16-ly

**AMERICAN HOUSE.**  
—A. M. SMITH, PROPRIETOR—  
This House is now opened to the  
Public. Everything will be done for the com-  
fort of guests who favor this house, with their  
patronage. The proprietor has a good Stable,  
where horses will be well taken care of. His  
charges are more moderate than any house in  
own. sep9-ly

**S. C. WALKER,**  
—OF WEST VIRGINIA, WITH—  
PENNINGMAN & BROTHERS.  
Importers and Wholesale Dealers in Foreign  
and Domestic Hardware, No. 10 North  
Howard street, Baltimore. Mr. W. will give  
strict attention to all orders entrusted to his  
care. mar16-ly

**G. W. FRANZHEIM & CO.**  
—IMPORTERS AND MANUFACTURERS OF—  
Brandy, Gin, Wines, Old Bourbon and Rye  
Whiskies and Cigars, and Dealers in Native  
Still and Sparkling Wine. No. 157 Market  
Street, Wheeling, W. Va. dec22-ly

**UNION FOUNDRY & MACHINE WORKS**  
—ESTABLISHED IN 1838—  
W. W. Miller & Co., Manufacturers of Plows,  
Hollow-ware, Steam Engines, Boilers and  
Mill Castings. Office and Works Market St.,  
Cor. South, Wheeling, W. Va. dec22-ly

**J. M. BENNETT,**  
—ATTORNEY AT LAW—  
WESTON, W. VA.  
Practices in the Courts of the United States,  
and will give special attention to cases in  
Bankruptcy. jly12-ly

**D. W. J. BLAND,**  
—SURGEON AND PHYSICIAN—  
WESTON, W. VA.  
Office on Centre street, two doors above the  
National Exchange Bank, where he may be found  
unless professionally engaged.  
Surgical cases will be attended to at his office  
or the residence of the patient as may be desired.  
jyl5-ly

**ROBERT PRATT & SON,**  
—DEALERS IN—  
Paints, Oils, Varnishes, Brushes, Artist's  
Materials, French, German and American Win-  
dow Glass, Sash, Doors, Frames, Shutters, and  
agents for French Plate Glass. No. 108 Market  
St., below McLure House, Wheeling, W. Va.  
dec22-ly

**P. CRANE,**  
—DEALER IN—  
Ale, Wines, Liquors and Segars.  
First door above the Bank, Weston West Va.  
apr27-ly

**J. L. ROBBS, SON & CO.,**  
—WHEELING, W. VA.—  
Importers of Queensware and Manufacturers of  
Flint Glass, 115 Main & 49 Water street, we  
manufacture a superior article of Carbon Oil  
Lamp and Lamp Chimneys. dec22-ly

**W. J. KITSON,**  
—OF—  
STONE AND MARBLE WORKER,  
Main street, Weston, West Va.  
Monuments, Tombs, Headstones, Vases, Man-  
tels &c. Manufactured to order with neatness  
and despatch. Orders promptly filled. All  
persons wanting anything in his line will do  
well by calling on the above before purchasing  
elsewhere. jly16-ly

**MILLINERY**  
—AND NOTION HOUSE—  
We have on hand and are constantly receiv-  
ing and manufacturing every description of  
Millinery goods, &c. At very low prices. &c.  
We also keep a general assortment of notions:  
Hosiery, thread, linings, dress trimmings, &c.  
Also fancy and useful articles for gentlemen.  
Remember at very small profits. Mrs. E. J. COX.  
oct19-ly

**LEATHER! LEATHER!**  
The citizens of Lewis and adjoining counties  
are respectfully informed that I am now pre-  
pared to supply them with all kinds of Leather,  
both Upper and Sole on reasonable terms. I  
have the most experienced Tannery in the country,  
and will try to make such stock as will suit  
my customers. Hemlock or Eastern tanned sole-  
and calf and kip skins, harness and side leather  
always on hand. All tanned on the old plan.  
No short or patent process used here. The  
highest price paid in cash or leather for green or  
dry hides, at the old Lorvitz Tannery. Terms  
strictly cash. Please call and see me.  
Weston, W. Va. aug21-ly G. J. BUTCHER.

**MILLINERY.**  
—MRS. G. A. FISHER—  
Has now on hand one of the most beautiful  
stock of goods that ever has been presented to  
the ladies of this section of the country,  
Comprising  
Ribbons,  
Laces,  
Silks,  
Satin,  
and Velvets,  
And everything to be found in her line  
of business.  
Persons would do well to give her a  
call and examine before purchasing else-  
where.  
Place of business next door to Elias Fisher's  
Saddlery.  
Don't fail to give her a call and examine her  
fine stock, oct19-3m.

## Select Poetry

### WHAT CONSTITUTES A STATE!

The noble and manly ideas expressed in the  
following ode by Alceus, the Greek poet, as  
translated by Sir William Jones, are peculiarly  
applicable to the present times, when so many  
look upon material wealth and grandeur as pre-  
ferable to freedom and liberty. Noble souls  
and lofty sentiments, and a stern love of jus-  
tice and right, and not material power and  
greatness; however, are the elements which go  
to constitute the greatness and glory of a  
state:—

#### WHAT CONSTITUTES A STATE?

What constitutes a State?  
Not high-raised battlements or labored mound,  
Thick wall or moated gate;  
Not cities proud with spires and turrets crown'd;  
Not bays and broad-arm'd ports,  
Where, laughing at the storm, rich navies ride,  
Nor starved and pangled courts,  
Where low-brow'd baseness warts perfume to  
pride.  
No, high-minded men,  
With powers, as far above dull brutes endued,  
In forest, brake or den,  
As beasts excel cold rocks and brambles rude;  
Men, who their duties know,  
But know their rights, and knowing, dare  
maintain;  
Prevent the long-aimed blow,  
And crush the tyrant while they rend the chain.  
These constitute a State;  
And sovereign law, that State's collected will,  
High over thrones and globes elate  
Sits empress, crowning good, repressing ill;  
Smit by her sacred frown,  
The fiend "discretion" like a vapor sinks;  
And e'en the old dazling crown,  
Hides his faint rays and at her bidding shrinks!  
Such was this heaven-lov'd isle,  
Than Lesbos fairer, and the Cretan shore!  
No more shall freedom smile!  
Shall Britons languish and be men no more?  
Since all must live resign,  
Those sweet rewards which animate the brave  
'Tis folly to decline,  
And steal inglorious to the silent grave.

## Fact and Fancy.

MAN leads woman to the altar—in that  
act his leadership begins and ends.

THE hen is a generous fowl. For every  
single kernel of corn she will give a  
peck.

MISS TOMPKINS says every unmarried  
lady of forty has passed the Cape of  
Good Hope.

A Western editor has got such a cold  
in his head that the water freezes on it  
when he washes it.

Why should teetotalers never hold  
their meetings at a theatre? Because  
there should be a drop seen at them.

WHEN is a young man's arms like the  
gospel? When they make glad the  
waist places.

A Salt Lake paper concludes a mar-  
riage notice: "The convivialities of the  
evening were elated and exhilarating."

SARATOGA ladies are so obliging as to  
furnish reporters the size of their waists,  
and the value of their diamonds.

THE English papers say that Gladstone  
is now equal to the average American  
Congressman. He can make a five col-  
umn speech every day.

Before the marriage the man is very  
much struck by the woman, and after-  
wards the woman is very much struck by  
the man.

THE man who showed his grit was in the  
sand-paper lice. The man who was  
caught napping is supposed to have been  
a knatter.

A sporting man being solicited to in-  
sure his life replied—"He would be d—d  
if he would play any game he had to die  
to win."

A highly educated constable, some-  
where in the Northwest, advertises for  
sale a roan horse, "or so much thereof as  
may be necessary" to satisfy the judg-  
ment.

SMITH lives in Cincinnati. There are  
six hundred and twenty-three of him do-  
ing business in that city, and those of him  
named John have now dwindled down to  
210.

AN abandoned wretch who was warned  
by a temperance friend "to look not  
upon the wine when it is red" replied that  
he never drank red wine—whiskey  
agreed better with his constitution.

THE following advertisement appeared  
in a Texas paper:—"If the person who  
took the white water-proof coat belong-  
ing to Captain Johnson, will call at the  
barracks, he can have the peg it used to  
hang upon, as it is of no use to the  
owner."

To kill rats—This receipt is cheap and  
never fails. When you retire for the  
night place a bit of cheese in your  
mouth. Care should be taken to keep  
the mouth well open, and when the rat's  
whiskers tickle your throat, bite.

A traveler was boasting of the luxury  
of arriving at night, after a hard day's  
journey, to partake of a well cut ham and  
the left leg of a goose. "Pray, sir,  
what is the peculiar luxury of the left  
leg?" "Sir, to conceive its luxury, you  
must find out that it is the only leg that  
is left, and that you have no right to it."

We heard of a very polite and im-  
pressive gentleman who said to a youth in  
the street, "Boy, may I inquire where  
Robinson's drug store is?" "Certainly,  
Sir," said the boy, very respectfully.  
"Well, Sir," said the gentleman, after  
waiting awhile, "where is it?" "I have  
not the least idea, your honor," said the  
urchin.

YOUNG ladies, says a Washington pa-  
per, who are indulging in the latest  
styles, should be in the lookout for a  
plainly dressed, benevolent faced elderly  
gentleman from the country, who is just  
now frequenting our popular streets,  
armed with a bottle of peppermint, which  
he insists on offering the passers-by who  
display their Grecian\* bend. The old  
gentleman thinks something ails them.

## General News.

BULL RUN Russell has been defeated  
in his race for Parliament.

TAMMANY contemplates A. Oakley Hall  
or Abraham Lawrence, for Mayor.

MISSOURI voted against negro suffrage  
by 23,435 majority.

MOTTO for a sheriff—Render unto sei-  
zer the things that are sei-zer's!

THE small-pox is prevailing in Milwau-  
kee to such an extent that the schools  
have been closed.

THE Washington street tunnel, at Chi-  
cago, will be finished in six weeks; and  
formally opened on New Year's day.

HENRIQUES, Vice President of the New  
York Open Stock Board, gets a salary of  
\$10,000 a year.

A man in Hartford carries an umbrella  
that was bought in 1847, and has never  
been stolen but once.

GENERAL SUTTER, the discoverer of gold  
in California, keeps himself mostly in  
Washington.

JACKSON HAINES and a German Mad-  
emoiselle dance the can can on skates at  
Berlin.

THE champion wrestler of the Nine-  
teenth Ward of New York is a handsome  
girl of 21.

THE pilgrim fathers were the original  
"carpet-baggers" in this country, says a  
New Orleans paper.

FINE fish-hooks of a French pattern  
were recently taken from the stomach of  
a codfish at Boston.

THE oldest physician in the world, a  
Spaniard, died recently at Salamanca,  
aged 105. He had practiced for eighty  
years.

It is said that Napoleon is buying up  
all the war materials he can get, in order  
to maintain the peace of Europe, if he  
has to go to war to do it.

THE other day thirteen head of cattle  
were killed by grazing in a corn-field at  
Melrose, Wisconsin, in which several  
smut ears had been left.

THERE is invested in the iron business  
at Chicago \$15,000,000 of capital, em-  
ploying 15,000 workmen, and creating  
an annual product of \$25,000,000.

WAS Shakespeare a lawyer? "Un-  
doubtedly," says Wiforth; "does he not  
speak of man 'dressed up in a little brief  
authority'?"

FELLY two thousand "dead-heads"  
helped to give Anna Dickinson a large  
audience, in New York, the other even-  
ing.

JOSE BILLINGS says he has "seen some  
awful bad throat diseases completely cured  
in 3 days by simply jining a temperance  
society."

GETTING drunk once a week has been  
decided to be "habitual intoxication," in  
Chicago. What, then, asks a contempo-  
rary, is getting drunk every day?

BETWEEN ninety and one hundred thou-  
sand dollars' worth of fractional currency  
is daily printed at the Treasury Depart-  
ment.

ALONG the Amazon river, in South  
America, the most productive country in  
the world, the towns are supplied with  
meat, flour and dried fruits from North  
America and Europe.

ABOUT a dozen rabbits were let loose  
in Barton Park, belonging to a gentleman  
in South Australia, some few years ago,  
and recently, in one year, fifteen thou-  
sand and rabbits were killed on the estate.

IN Japan, paper is used in the manu-  
facture of fans, lanterns, umbrellas,  
pocket-books, cloaks and even windows.  
The paper string that was introduced into  
this country during the late war has been  
in use in Japan for centuries.

IN celebrating Franklin's birthday, the  
printers at Buffalo, had "a good time,"  
and among others the following toast was  
drank: "Printers Wives—May they al-  
ways have plenty of small CAPS for the  
heads of their little original articles."

SAN ANTONIO is the paradise of carpet-  
baggers. The Herald says that when a  
carpet-bagger is freshly imported into the  
city, Mayor Thilepape at once puts him  
on the police until he can get something  
else to do.

THE match game of billiards between  
Rudolph and Carme, for \$1,000, was  
played at Chicago on Wednesday night.  
The game resulted in favor of Rudolph,  
who scored 500, and Carme 395.

OLIVER DYER is authority for the as-  
sertion that 200,000 people below Twen-  
tifth street, in New York, live in cellars.  
He has obtained the actual figures of the  
liquor shops—5248. There are 1678  
billiard saloons in the city, and 40,000  
destitute and orphan children.

A Paris fashion-writer tells of a new  
kind of head-dress; a garland of flowers  
so contrived that, as the heat of the  
dancing room increases, the petals gradu-  
ally open and finally fall in the hair, dis-  
closing a diamond or ruby heart in each.  
Thus the crushed flowers after a dance  
will be replaced before the close of the  
ball by a second head-dress.

THE Commissioner of Pensions reports  
that 9,325 invalid pensions were admit-  
ted during the last year, the aggregate  
amount of which was \$628,227.70. The  
average rate of these pensions was \$67.  
37. The number of applications for pen-  
sions of widows and orphans of soldiers was 19,  
242, and their aggregate amount \$1,910,  
202.70. The whole number of invalid  
pensioners on the rolls, up to last June,  
was 74,782, and the aggregate amount  
paid them \$6,328,025 25.

## Political Chit-Chat.

It is said that Brownlow has not wash-  
ed his feet for forty years. No wonder  
they call him Skunk Brownlow.

POLITICIANS from New York say Sena-  
tor Morgan is sure of re-election from  
that State his winter, by the Legislature.

THE Supreme Court of Missouri has de-  
cided that shares of national banks are  
taxable like other moneyed corporations.

EVERY abolition scallawag defeated for  
Congress, by the people, in the late elec-  
tion, proposes to "contest," in order to  
get mileage and a few days' stealings.

HE is a poor soldier who deserts his col-  
ors on account of defeat. He is a cow-  
ard who abandons his political principles  
on account of a political reverse.

A Connecticut paper asks if it ought  
not to "give God the glory" for the elec-  
tion. To which a contemporary responds:  
"No no—give the Devil his due."

It is said that Hon. John Slidell will  
endeavor to regain his confiscated prop-  
erty in New Orleans by an appeal to the  
Courts there.

THE flag of the expedition for obtaining  
money under false pretences, known as  
the Cuban expedition, is of red and blue  
bars, with a lone star on a white corner-  
ground.

MR. PHILLIPS is out in an article in his  
paper, demanding universal suffrage,  
without regard to sex, race or color, and  
the immediate reduction of the interest on  
the debt.

It is said that at the next session of  
Congress one million of dollars will be  
applied to the removal of obstructions  
from Hell Gate. Congress will doubtless  
do this to facilitate its own descent.

THE truly loil Horace Maynard, of  
Tennessee, is recommended by the  
Brownlow dynasty as a fitting person for  
the position of Postmaster General in  
Grant's cabinet.

MR. BELMONT, the chairman of the Na-  
tional Democratic Committee, spent elec-  
tion day in Newport, R. I., not even  
casting his vote for Seymour and Blair.  
Such Democrats were the cause of Grant's  
election.

THE comic papers in Buenos Ayres  
contain caricatures of the leading charac-  
ters in the Washburne affair, including  
our Minister himself, who is represented  
as running off with his umbrella and car-  
pet-bag, in a state of great alarm.

PRENTICE says: "Let the Democrats  
say what they please about the destruc-  
tion of freedom of speech in the South;  
a man can speak just as freely there as he  
can in any part of the world—if he is a  
negro. And what right have folks to be  
white?"

ONE of the New York papers says that  
war is a great civilizer. The late war  
may have civilized some of the blacks,  
but it made barbarians out of the Repub-  
lican party, and has disfranchised gen-  
tlemen and statesmen, and put thieves and  
all kinds of swindlers in office.

A radical newspaper says of the Treas-  
ury Department at Washington:—"Rot-  
ten clerks, crafty advocates, gold gam-  
blers, followers of mammon of all sorts  
are encoined there. Nearly all were ap-  
pointed under a previous administration,  
and Congress will not permit the Presi-  
dent to remove them."

THE laboring men of the United States  
have paid as interest on the bonded debt  
of the United States, during the last year  
the small sum of one hundred and thirty  
million eight hundred and ninety-four  
thousand nine hundred and ten dollars  
and forty-one cents. So says the United  
States Treasurer's annual report. Bene-  
ficient government!

IT appears from Beat Butler's card to  
the Tribune, that he beat Horace Greeley,  
Henry Ward Beecher, Charley Woolsey,  
Sam Ward, the Christian Congregation-  
alist, the Springfield Republican, the  
Church, General Kilpatrick, the La  
Crosse Democrat and the Devil. The  
man who triumphs over such a combina-  
tion as this, says an exchange, is no  
spooney.

HENRICHT has just discovered that the  
Freedmen's Bureau is a nuisance that  
should be promptly abated. In a late  
speech at Norfolk, Virginia, this man re-  
marked: "He hoped to God the Freed-  
men's Bureau will be abolished soon. It  
has accomplished all its merciful work for  
which it was created, and now has degene-  
rated into a political curse—the most  
powerful engine of political trickery that  
has been known to the world since God  
made Adam."

AFTER charging President Johnson  
with about all the sins enumerated in the  
decatalogue for the past three years, the  
New York Tribune has now come out in  
his defence in one important particular.  
"Venality," it says, "is not among his  
faults. We knew him in Congress, where  
men are pretty accurately weighed and  
measured; he has since filled nearly every  
important station, made many bitter  
enemies, and waged deadly war against  
men abler and stronger than himself; yet  
he has never been charged with filling  
his own pockets at the public cost."

THE Attorney General of Missouri on  
Friday commenced suit in the Circuit  
Court of St. Louis against General John  
B. Gray, for \$97,000, being the amount  
deducted by him for \$6,000,000 paid by  
the United States to that State, as com-  
mission allowed by Governor Fletcher to  
him for services in receiving the money  
and bringing it to Missouri. Attorney  
General Wingate was defeated by Gover-  
nor Fletcher and the Missouri Democrat  
in Congressional aspirations, and brings  
this case to show up the frauds and pecu-  
lations of his late associates.

## Home Reading.

ITALY gets two and a half millions a  
year from lotteries.

THE use of grape-shot is prohibited in  
the British army.

THE window glass of a Broadway dry  
goods store cost \$60,000.

BOSTON claims to have woven the first  
flannel in America, ninety years ago.

A "\$100,000 fee" has lately been  
given to a New York lawyer in an impor-  
tant case.

A New Yorker stepped on a dog's tail,  
was bitten by the animal, and had the  
owner fined \$40 for the bite.

IN the canton of Oberwald, Switzer-  
land, there is a law prohibiting persons  
under 18 from smoking.

GAY old Brigham Young is now the  
one-seventy-fifth part of a widower. He  
has just lost one of his wives.

A Boston widow lady, about to change  
her name, intends to dress on the auspi-  
cious occasion in a "lavender silk, at \$14  
a yard."

OUR readers will remember the Fulton  
Ferry disaster, in New York. The jury  
returned a verdict of no one to blame.

IN Augusta, Ga., they have a "milk  
police," who keep a close watch on the  
pumps.

LATEST fashion decrees that wedding  
cards be issued three weeks before the  
event transpires.

THE great American ass, George Francis  
Train, complains that Irishmen didn't  
vote as he advised them.

THE citizens of Canton, Mississippi,  
are devising means to encourage immi-  
gration to that section of the State.

OMAHA has a street railway, and is as  
proud as if it were the first one laid down  
in America.

RUSSIA is getting a large amount of  
breach-loading arms manufactured in the  
United States.

THE census of 1870, it is said, will  
show the population of the United States  
to be 42,000,000.

A \$10,000 diamond necklace appeared  
among the bridal presents at a New York  
wedding.

ONLY thirty-five candidates are out for  
the common council in a single ward in  
Boston. Four are to be chosen.

THEY have a "Saturday liquor law" in  
Canada, requiring all taverns to close  
from seven o'clock on Saturday night to  
eight o'clock on Monday morning.

THE manufacture of sugar and molasses  
from the ribbon, or Louisiana cane, is  
largely on the increase in northeastern  
Texas.

IT is stated that during the last year the  
births in Ireland have exceeded the  
deaths and emigration, for the first time  
in 20 years.

IN a late Maine marriage the bride-  
groom was eighty-five and the bride  
eighty. They are looking forward  
eagerly to their golden wedding.

THE Illinois State Board of Education  
advises the pronunciation of the name of  
that State in the old-fashioned way,  
without sounding the final letter.

IS Poughkeepsie a man sold his vote  
for a barrel of flour, and was himself dou-  
bly sold, when, on opening the barrel, he  
found it filled with sawdust and sand.

A great number of Jesuits, recently  
exiled in Spain, have taken up their  
abode in Brussels and Prague, where  
their order owns large establishments.

AN egg dealer in Worthington, Ohio,  
sells his hen-fruit according to the size.  
He has a board with three holes in it, by  
which he grades the eggs.

AN entire Cleveland family, except the  
father, have been sent to the lunatic asy-  
lum. The father is remarkably healthy  
and vigorous, both in mind and body.

THE London streets, placed in a single  
straight line, would reach as far as from  
Liverpool to New York. It takes 360,-  
000 street lamps to illuminate the city at  
night.

PARIS is crowded with strangers, among  
whom the American young ladies attract  
great attention. They are said to be the  
handsomest who promenade the Champs  
Elysees.

A Washington couple, wishing to  
convey the dead body of their child to  
Baltimore, evaded the express charges, by  
dressing it in its usual clothing, and tak-  
ing it between them on the cars.

A married lady in St. Louis is prepar-  
ing a formal application for the office of  
postmistress—or postmistress of that city.  
A petition in her favor is receiving many  
signatures.

A gay widow of Hoboken was surpris-  
ed the other evening, in the act of com-  
mitting a private marriage, by a number  
of friends who arrived for the purpose of  
inflicting a "surprise party."

AN internal water tumor, it was found,  
had formed on the breast of Mrs. Seeley,  
who died at Troy, New York, last Sat-  
urday, weighing one hundred and twenty  
pounds. It had to be removed before the  
deceased could be buried.

SOME ten miles west of Salt Lake City  
is a boiling sulphur spring. It gushes  
out in great volumes at the foot of a  
limestone rock, from an aperture as large  
as a hoghead, and a stream that would  
fill a tub a foot square. The water is  
very strong. It is boiling hot, and stroll-  
ing Mormons often cook eggs in it.

## Ladies' Column.

A woman's tears soften a man's heart  
—her flatteries soften his head.

WHEN a man is saddled with a bad  
wife there are sure to be stir-raps in the  
family.

MISS JOY says she is glad she is not a  
"thing of beauty," for she would not like  
to be "a Joy forever."

THE object some wives have in blowing  
up their husbands is doubtless to have